

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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Takahiro NAKA et al.

Art Unit: 1764

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Examiner: Thanh P. Duong

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For:

METHOD OF STARTING AND STOPPING METHANOL REFORMING

APPARATUS AND APPARATUS FOR SUPPLYING FUEL TO

SAID APPARATUS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

February 10, 2006

Sir:

Prior to examination of the Request for Continued Examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.